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| FORM PTO-1390 (REV. 01-2003) | | US DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE | |
| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 124521 | |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/FR04/00108 | | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/542,146 | |
| INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE January 19, 2004 | | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED January 19, 2003 | |
| TITLE OF INVENTION PHOTOVOLTAIC MODULE COMPRISING EXTERNAL CONNECTOR PINS | | | |
| APPLICANTS FOR DO/EO/US Guy BARET et al. | | | |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: | | | |
| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. | | | |
| 2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. | | | |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. | | | |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). | | | |
| 5. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) | | | |
| a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). | | | |
| b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. | | | |
| c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). | | | |
| 6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) | | | |
| a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. | | | |
| b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). | | | |
| c. <input type="checkbox"/> The International Application was filed in English. | | | |
| 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) | | | |
| a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). | | | |
| b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. | | | |
| c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. | | | |
| d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. | | | |
| 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). | | | |
| 9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). | | | |
| 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). | | | |
| Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: | | | |
| 11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. | | | |
| 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. | | | |
| 13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. | | | |
| 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. | | | |
| 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. | | | |
| 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. | | | |
| 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. | | | |
| 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). | | | |
| 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). | | | |
| 20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Notification of Non-Entitlement to Small Entity Status. | | | |

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| 21. <input type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted: | | | | CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY | |
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| BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)): \$ 300.00 | | | | \$ | |
| SEARCH FEE (37 CFR 1.492(b)(1)-(3)): | | | | \$ | |
| International preliminary examination report or written opinion prepared by the USPTO as IPEA or ISA and favorable as to novelty, inventive step, and industrial applicability for all claims presented in the application entering the national stage \$ 0.00 | | | | | |
| International search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO as ISA \$ 100.00 | | | | | |
| International search report provided to USPTO no later than the time at which the search fee is paid \$ 400.00 | | | | | |
| All situations not provided for above \$ 500.00 | | | | | |
| EXAMINATION FEE (37 CFR 1.492(c)(1)-(2)): | | | | \$ | |
| International preliminary examination report or written opinion prepared by the USPTO as IPEA or ISA and favorable as to novelty, inventive step, and industrial applicability for all claims presented in the application entering the national stage \$ 0.00 | | | | | |
| All situations not provided for above \$ 200.00 | | | | | |
| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). | | | | \$ | |
| TOTAL PAGES OF APPLICATION OVER 100 (- 100) | ÷ 50 | = † | x 250 = | \$ | |
| †round up to next integer | | | | | |
| CLAIMS | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE | \$ | |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | - 20 | = | x 50.00 = | \$ | |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | - 3 | = | x 200.00 = | \$ | |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)(if applicable) | | | + 360.00 = | \$ | |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = | | | | \$ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by ½. | | | | \$ | |
| SUBTOTAL = | | | | \$ | |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). | | | | \$ | |
| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = | | | | \$ | |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property + | | | | \$ | |
| TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = | | | | \$ | |
| | | | | Amount to be refunded: | \$ |
| | | | | charged: | \$ |
| a. <input type="checkbox"/> Check No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>15-0461</u> . A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. | | | | | |
| NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status. SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: OLIFF & BERRIDGE, PLC Customer Number: 25944 | | | | | |
| Date <u>October 21, 2005</u> | | | NAME: <u>William P. Berridge</u> REGISTRATION NUMBER: <u>30,024</u> NAME: <u>Jesse O. Collier</u> REGISTRATION NUMBER: <u>53,839</u> | | |

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Guy BARET et al.

U.S. Patent Application No.: 10/542,146

Filed: July 13, 2005

Docket No.: 124521

For: PHOTOVOLTAIC MODULE COMPRISING EXTERNAL CONNECTOR PINS

NOTIFICATION OF NON-ENTITLEMENT TO SMALL ENTITY STATUS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on July 13, 2005. Upon filing the application, the appropriate filing, search, and examination fees were paid as a small entity.

However, Applicants now note that the establishment of Small Entity Status was in error, although made in good faith without deceptive intent. Upon filing the application, the appropriate filing, search, and examination fees should have been paid as a large entity.

Accordingly, in order to comply with the requirements of Rule 1.28(c), the deficiencies of fees paid as a small entity that must be paid as a large entity total \$900, as shown in the following breakdown:

| ITEM | Small Entity Fee Paid | Present Large Entity Fee | Deficiency Owed |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Basic National Fee | \$150 | \$300 | \$150 |
| Search Fee | \$200 | \$400 | \$200 |
| Examination Fee | \$100 | \$200 | \$100 |
| TOTAL | | | \$450 |

Attached is Check No. 172126 in the amount of \$450 for payment of the deficiencies

owed. Should any additional fee be due, or any overpayment made, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or credit Deposit Account No. 15-0461 accordingly. Two duplicate copies of this paper are attached.

The requirements of Rule 1.28(c) are believed to be fully complied with. Should there be any questions regarding this matter, please contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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